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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Applicants submit and request consideration of the following amendments and response filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. The Amendments and remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 10, 2002. A Petition to Extend Time for three months and a Notice of Appeal was mailed to the PTO on April 10, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.